(b) if so, the total production of oilseeds in each State as against the targets fixed during 1995-96,

(c) the reasons for shortfall in the production of oilseeds and hike in their prices;

(d) the specific steps proposed to be taken to achieve self-sufficiency in the oilseeds production; and

(e) the amount allocated for the purpose to each State for 1996-97?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) As compared to the estimated demand of 72.54 lakh tonnes of edible oils during the oil year (November-October 1995-96), the production of edible oils is of the order of 66.70 lakh tonnes showing a gap of about 6 lakh tonnes between the total requirement and net availability of edible oils from all domestic sources. There is, however, no shortfall in the production of oilseeds, rather a record production of 22.9 million tonnes hasn bee estimated during 1995-96. This has resulted in lower average wholesale price index of oilseeds from January to July, 1996 at 279.8 as compared to 284.9 for the corresponding period in the year 1995.

(b) The Statewise targets and actual production is given in statement I attached.

(c) There is neither any shortfall in production nor hike in their prices.

(d) In order to achieve self-sufficiency in the production of oilseeds, a well-defined production strategy is under implementation through a Centrally Sponsored Oilseeds Production Programme. This programme is under implementation in 22 States in the country. The financial assistance is provided for various critical inputs like production and distribution of seeds, distribution of seed minikits, rhyzobium culture, gypsum/pyrite, improved farm implements, plant protection equipments, sprinkler sets etc. In addition, frontline and general demonstrations are organized on farmers' fields to transfer the production technology.

(e) A statement-II attached.

STATEMENT-I

(Lakh Tonnes)

Sl. No.	State	Production Target	Achievement in production
1.	2.	3.	4.
1.	Andhra Pradesh	25.00	30.06
2.	Assam	1.90	1.94
3.	Bihar	1.80	1.54
4.	Gujarat	29.00	22.63
5.	Haryana	8.50	8.97
6.	Jammu& Kashmir	0.50	0.43
7.	Karnataka	16.70	15.82
8.	Madhya Pradesh	42.00	49.82
9.	Maharashtra	22.00	21.10
10.	Orissa	7.50	3.28
11.	Punjab	2.70	2.93
12.	Rajasthan	27.20	31.46
13.	Tamil Nadu	17.20	17.40
14.	Uttar Pradesh	15.50	15.00
15.	West Bengal	4.60	5.49
16.	Others	0.90	1.10
	Total	225.00	228.97

STATEMENT-II

S. No.	State	Allocation
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1433.33
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	45.33
3.	Assam	206.66
4.	Bihar	133.33
5.	Gujarat	666.66
6.	Haryana	233.33
7.	Himachal Pradesh	40.00
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	93.00
9.	Karnataka	800.00
10.	Kerala	66.66
11.	Madhya Pradesh	1613.00
12.	Maharashtra	1366.66
13.	Manipur	106.66
14.	Meghalaya	20.00
15.	Orissa	600.00
16.	Punjab	133.33
17.	Rajasthan	1433.33
18.	Sikkim	66.66
19.	Tamil Nadu	1133.33
20.	Tripura	33.33
21.	Uttar Pradesh	733.33
22.	West Bengal	333.33
	Total	11291.92

Wagon Manufacturing Unit

*451. SHRI P. KODANDA RAMAIAH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal to set up a wagon manufacturing unit at Chitradurga in Karanataka; and

(b) the time by which the said unit is likely to become functional?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Smuggling of Flora

*452 SHRI ANANT KUMAR HEGDE :
SHRI DADA BABURAO PARANJPE :

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned 'Smuggling depleting precious flora appearing in the Statesman dated August 8, 1996;

(b) if so, the number of cases of smuggling of commercially and medicinally valuable flora detected by the Government during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) the value of such flora stolen/smuggled out of the country during the said period; and

(d) the steps taken to prevent trafficking of the Indian flora?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of smuggling cases of medicinal plants and products detected during last three years by the Regional Deputy Director of Wildlife Preservation under this Ministry are given in the attached Statement-I. Since the cases are detected at limited export points only, which may be coming from various states, detection figures are not possible to be classified statewise.

(c) The approximate value of the products seized in attempted smuggling, during the last 3 years is around Rs. 10 crores.

(d) Steps taken to prevent smuggling of Indian flora are given in the enclosed Statement- II.

STATEMENT-I

Cases detected by the regional Dy. Directors (Bombay, Delhi, Calcutta) During the Last 3 years

Sl. No	Item Seized	Bombay			Delhi			Calcutta		
		1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
1	Taxus Baccata Leaves/Taxol Resins	2510 Kg.	109.5 Kg.	—	107.50 Kg.	—	—	—	—	—
2	Nardostachys Jatamansi/oil	8357 Kg.	103 Kg.	229.45 Kg.	3.200 Kg.	22.85 Kg.	—	—	—	—
3	Cedar Oil	—	—	—	—	430 Kg.	—	—	—	—
4	Podophyllum emodi	—	—	—	—	100 Kg.	101.50 Kg	—	—	—
5	Costus Oil	—	—	—	—	2 Kg.	25 Kg.	—	—	—
6	Swertia Chirata	—	30 Kg.	55 Kg.	—	1000 Kg.	4214.5 Kg.	—	—	—
7	Rauwolfia serpontina	—	50 Kg.	265 Kg.	—	—	5 Kg.	5.64 Kg.	—	—
8	Aloe spp.	235 Kg.	—	—	—	—	10 Kg.	—	—	—
9	Berberis aristata	1191 Kg.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Kuth roots (Saussurea lappa)	—	97 Kg.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Aristolochia Spp	—	—	—	—	2.3 Kg.	10 Kg.	—	—	—
12	Agar wood	5000 Kg.	41668 Kg.	—	—	—	3.390 Kg.	—	—	—
13	Commiphora whightii	—	—	172 Kg.	—	625 Kg.	4 Kg.	—	—	—
14	Cycas leaves	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34 pkgs
15	Sandalwood powder/ log/ sandalwood items	1000 Kg.	36 Kg.	556.44 Kg.	9.500 Kg.	1119.50 Kg.	—	—	—	—